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RETROSPECTIVE

A Few Facts and Figures From the History of Division 3, A. O. H.

Members Have Always Been Active in National and State Affairs.

Hibernians of the West End Have a Grand and Glorious Record.

WILL CELEBRATE ITS ANNIVERSARY

It is pleasant to all right-minded people to take an occasional retrospective view of their lives, to see what good they have accomplished and what mistakes they have made. So it is with societies. The members meet and celebrate this or that anniversary, and in doing so look back with pleasure upon the happy days of long ago or speak with regret and sorrow of those members who have passed away. It is such an occasion as this that Division 3 of the Ancient Order of Hibernians will provide for its members on Monday, October 19, the nineteenth anniversary of its organization.

County President Patrick T. Sullivan, besides being one of the most earnest and enthusiastic members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians in the city, was a charter member of Division 3. Of course he knows the history of the division from its inception, and to him the Kentucky Irish American is indebted for interesting facts from its establishment to the present time.

Division 3 was organized on October 13, 1884, by John M. Hennessey, who was at that time County President of the order. However, the members have decided to celebrate the anniversary on their regular meeting night instead of on the actual date of organization. The late John J. Barrett also ably assisted Mr. Hennessey in its organization and predicted that night that this would be the banner division of the order in this city. The meeting was held in Reich's Hall, at Nineteenth and Portland avenue. Division 3 then, as now, was made up of members from the northwestern part of the city. Of the original charter members who met that night some are alive, while others have passed to their eternal reward. Numbered among the dead are John Sheehan, Edward Malone, George Taaf, John Thornton, Michael Moore, Michael Deeley and Thomas Kelly. Those who are alive are County President Patrick T. Sullivan, James Gill, Michael Sheehan, Martin Ford, State Treasurer George J. Butler, Michael Lerner and Thomas Kennedy.

The first officers of Division 3 were: President, Michael Sheehan; Vice President, George J. Butler; Recording Secretary, Martin J. Ford; Financial Secretary, John Sheehan; Treasurer, Edward Malone. Before the year was out Mr. Sheehan, owing to the press of other business, was compelled to resign, and Patrick Holley was elected to fill out the unexpired term as President. In 1885 Mr. Holley was re-elected President, with Michael Lerner as Vice President; James Coleman, Recording Secretary; Nicholas Sheridan, Financial Secretary, and Daniel F. Murphy, now City Assessor, Treasurer. In 1886 Patrick Holley was again chosen President, with George J. Butler Vice President. A year later James Coleman was elected President, but in 1888 Patrick Holley was once more chosen President. In 1890 Nicholas J. Sheridan succeeded to the Presidency. He resigned the following November and Patrick T. Sullivan, now County President, was chosen to fill out the unexpired term. He succeeded himself in 1891. Since then Patrick T. Sullivan, now a member of the police force; Joseph Taylor, Lawrence Mackey and John Cavanaugh have each served two terms as President of Division 3. Mr. Cavanaugh was serving his third term when he resigned last Monday night.

The members of Division 3 have always been noted for their activity in Hibernian affairs and have had representatives high in State and national councils since 1886, when James Coleman was elected State Secretary and served in that capacity without opposition for sixteen years. During that time he attended the national conventions of the order in Louisville, Omaha, Hartford, Detroit, Boston and Trenton. At each of these conventions Mr. Coleman played an active and prominent part. To him the entire order is indebted for the system of electing the division officers prior to the State officers and the State officers prior to the national officers, whereas in former times the national officers were elected prior to the State and division officers. Michael Sheehan served as State Treasurer in 1886 and George J. Butler is the present State Treasurer, while Patrick T. Sullivan is the first member of Division 3 to serve as County President. Patrick Holley also served as State Treasurer and as State President. From this it can be seen that Division 3 always had members who stood high in State and national affairs.

Mr. Coleman also deserves great credit for his work in securing the ritual now used in degree work by the order. In the national convention at Boston a few years ago he made a plea for a revision of the ritual and, at his suggestion, \$250

was set aside for that purpose. The revision of the ritual followed soon after.

Among the old members of Division 3 who attained prominence in the practice of their profession or in city affairs were Ed T. Tierney, Dr. William B. Doherty and the late Alderman William Patterson. Mr. Patterson remained a member of the order until his death. Dr. Doherty is still an active member of the division. Mr. Tierney is now a member of the Board of Public Safety. He ceased to be a member of the Hibernians several years ago.

At present the numerical strength of the division is 110, but from 1886 to 1889 this division ranged from 108 to 157 members. It has now more than \$1,000 in the treasury and is probably the strongest division in the city financially. Since the establishment of the order Division 3 has paid out more than \$10,000 in sick and death benefits. During nineteen years only three men who were at any time officers of the division have died. They were Michael Deeley, Edward Malone and John Sheehan. Of these Mr. Deeley died while in office. Division 3 was called the mother of Divisions 5 and 6. Both of these divisions flourished for a time and then dropped out of existence. When each of these two divisions were established Division 3 lost twelve of its most active members. Among the members of the division who were lost to the order through death were the following excellent gentlemen: John Thornton, John A. Bree, John Stewart, Mike Reardon, L. M. O'Mara, Henry Lawler, John Burns, Michael Deeley and C. A. Burns. All of these died members of the order in good standing, true to the principles of friendship, unity and Christian charity.

For many years Division 3 met at Nineteenth and Portland, but during the past year its meetings have been held at Hibernian Hall on the first and third Mondays of each month. The anniversary celebration promises to be a pleasant one, where the members will delight in recounting the deeds of other days and renew their pledges to the principles of the order.

HAPPY HOURS

Spent by Trinity Council Entertaining Grand President Kelly.

Trinity Council met Monday night and gave a reception and smoker in honor of James B. Kelly, the new Grand President. In addition to the members of Trinity turning out in large numbers quite a sprinkling of members were present from Sattoli and Mackin Councils. In opening the meeting President Tom Garvey congratulated the members of Trinity Council on its splendid progress and urged all to work to secure a membership of 300 before the new year. He then introduced Grand President Kelly.

Mr. Kelly said his aim would be to conduct the affairs of Kentucky jurisdiction of the Young Men's Institute zealously and urged all to give him their hearty support. By so doing they would make certain both the social and moral advancement of the whole order. He deplored the lack of charity that occasionally manifested itself among members. He pleaded with them to leave out personalities and to stand steadfast for the general membership and good of the order. Mr. Kelly said he would work for the interest of all councils and would endeavor to have the true Catholic spirit prevail at all times. His address was applauded to the echo.

Refreshments and cigars were served and then Grand Secretary George J. Lantz was introduced. He made one of his usual thoughtful addresses, which was well received. Clarence H. Zook, of Mackin Council, the well known insurance agent, who as Chairman of the Reception Committee helped to make the recent meeting of the Grand Council a success, congratulated Trinity Council and all the other grand officers on the selection of Mr. Kelly as Grand President.

Appropriate resolutions were adopted on the death of Mrs. Thomas Camfield. It was determined to allow the Ladies' Auxiliary the use of Trinity Council's library, and Eugene Cooney was recommended for Council Deputy. Frank Burke declined to make a speech, but in a few happy words invited all to come and enjoy the series of socials to be given by Mackin Council. Brief addresses were made by David O'Connell, Emmet Slatery, Andrew Kiefer, Ben Hund, Dr. Frank S. Clark, William M. Higgins and others. It was announced that Trinity Council would give entertainments on Sunday, November 22, and on Thanksgiving eve.

HIS FIRST MASS.

The church of the Immaculate Conception at Eighth and Grayson streets was not large enough to hold the immense congregation that gathered there last Sunday morning to assist at the first mass of the Rev. Father Theodore H. Reverman. Mrs. Louise Reverman, mother of the celebrant, and several other relatives and friends were given positions of honor in the church. Father Reverman was assisted by the Rev. Father Helling as deacon, the Rev. Father Rouhet as sub-deacon, and the Rev. Father Bohlsen as master of ceremonies. A choir of fifty sang Gounod's mass. The sermon was preached by the Very Rev. Father Bernard Westerman, who reviewed Father Reverman's career from boyhood to the present time, and paid a fitting tribute to his scholarly attainments.

CELEBRATE TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY.



Officer and Mrs. John Holden, whose Silver Wedding Takes Place at St. George's Church.

PREPARATIONS

For a Big Euchre Are Being Made by Federation Delegates.

Resolutions Adopted by National Body Were Indorsed and Commended.

Mass Is Being Celebrated Regularly at Industrial School of Reform.

RESULT OF FEDERATION MOVEMENT

The Jefferson County Catholic Federation held a well attended meeting at Hibernian Hall on Friday night of last week. Dr. Joseph W. Fowler presided. On roll call it developed that seventeen of the twenty-two societies affiliating with the County Federation were represented by one or more delegates. John J. Crotty submitted a report from the Entertainment Committee recommending that a euchre be given to secure funds to carry on the purpose of the organization. The idea was considered a good one and the following committee was appointed to arrange for the euchre: Dr. Ben Lammers, John J. Crotty, Lula Schwaniger, Dr. Frank S. Clark, Miss Mamie Kiley, Mrs. Monahan, Mrs. M. Hoban, Miss Fackler, Miss Mary Sheridan, John J. Barry, J. B. Kelly, John H. Hennessey, Patrick T. Sullivan, Thomas Feeley, Joseph P. McGinn, Louis Hamill, Dr. Alphonse S. Bizot and Miss Rena C. Weisenberger. The committee was given full power to arrange date and hall for the euchre. John J. Crotty announced that he would donate the first prize. William T. Meehan announced that he would donate the second prize.

The Louisville Council of the Knights of Columbus sent a communication announcing the withdrawal of its delegates from the federation. It was explained that the Knights of Columbus were not opposed to the federation movement, but were simply acting under the national charter, which forbids the Knights as a body affiliating with any other society. It is possible that this restriction may be removed when the National Council of the Knights of Columbus meets in this city next year. The communication was received and the delegates were allowed to withdraw.

Dr. Frank S. Clark and Patrick T. Sullivan made earnest talks in favor of the federation and urged perseverance. Daniel Sheehan also made a nice address commending the resolutions adopted by the National Federation. He said they were, as a whole, a criterion for any Catholic society. James B. Kelly, the new Grand President of the Young Men's Institute, was called upon and told how the Grand Council recently indorsed the resolutions of the National Federation.

The members pledged themselves to ask the bodies they represented to donate prizes for the euchre. It was announced that mass was being celebrated regularly every Sunday at the Industrial School of Reform. This has been brought about through the efforts of the Jefferson County Federation and with the aid of Judge Matt O'Doherty, a member of the Board of Directors of the Reform School.

When the County Federation adjourned the euchre committee met and organized by electing the following officers: Dr. Frank S. Clark, Chairman; John J. Barry, Secretary, and Patrick T. Sullivan, Treasurer. The sub-committee on hall is made up of Dr. Clark, John J. Barry and E. J. Aud. Committee on cards and punches—Dr. A. R. Bizot, Miss L. Schwaniger and Miss Mamie Kiley. Committee on

Press—John J. Barry and James B. Kelly. Committee on Prizes—Dr. Ben Lammers, Mrs. Hoban and Miss Fackler.

The sub-committee appointed to arrange for a hall and date for the euchre met and decided to hold the euchre at Liederkranz Hall on Thursday, November 19. The full committee will meet at Trinity Hall on Wednesday evening, and each member is urged to be present.

SILVER WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Holden to Celebrate Their Anniversary.

Patrolman and Mrs. John J. Holden will celebrate their silver wedding on Wednesday, October 14. They were married at St. Peter's church on October 14, 1878. Now, twenty-five years later, they will renew their vows of fidelity at St. George's church. After the renewal of their vows the Rev. Father Weiss will celebrate mass for their intention. Following the ceremony at the church Mr. and Mrs. Holden will leave for Muncie, Ind., where they will spend a week as guests of Messrs. Thomas and William Holden, brothers of Mr. Holden.

Patrolman John J. Holden has been on the police force during the past thirteen years and has always performed his duties admirably and has the respect of his fellow-patrolmen and superior officers. His estimable wife before her marriage was Miss Catherine Dusch. Their married life has been a happy one and their friends will visit St. George's church on Wednesday to assist at the mass and wish the worthy couple many more years of married happiness.

ELOQUENT SERMON

On the Fifteenth Anniversary of a Church Dedication.

Only a very heavy down-pour of rain kept people from overcrowding the Church of St. Frances of Rome, Clifton, last Sunday night. The attendance at the late mass, however, was very large. Sunday night solemn vespers were sung, the Rev. Father Daniel O'Sullivan, of the Church of the Blessed Sacrament, officiating, assisted by the Rev. Father Kalaher, of St. Cecilia's, and Rev. Father Walsh, of the Sacred Heart church.

The Rev. Dr. O. P. Ackerman, pastor of St. Philip Neri's church, preached the anniversary sermon. He told of the love Catholics should have for their parish churches and how they should make it a pleasure and consider it an honor to aid in beautifying the house of God. The sermon was an eloquent and impressive one. The choir of St. Frances of Rome was augmented by many of the leading soloists from other Catholic choirs and the music added much to the beauty and solemnity of the occasion. The altars were banked with palms and flowers, a tribute from the members of the congregation to the untiring energy of their beloved pastor, the Rev. Thomas W. White. This well beloved clergyman has made many improvements in his church during the past fifteen years. He is popular with all classes, who wish to be with him to celebrate his silver jubilee.

KNIGHTS AND LADIES.

A general meeting of representatives of all the branches of the Catholic Knights and Ladies of America will be held in Marker's hall, Seventeenth and Main streets, Wednesday night, October 14. A full attendance is desired, as matters of importance are to be discussed. Among other things are arrangements for the national convention to be held in this city next year. The matter of giving a euchre next month will also be determined.

GOOD EXAMPLE

For Other Societies to Be Set by Branch 25, C. K. of A., on October 28.

Will Approach Holy Communion on Their Twenty-Fifth Anniversary.

Brief Review of the History of an Admirable Body of Catholics.

THE GROWTH HAS BEEN STEADY

Branch 25 of the Catholic Knights of America will reach the twenty-fifth milestone of its career on Wednesday, October 28, but the members will celebrate this twenty-fifth anniversary on the Sunday preceding, October 25. Different people and different societies have different ways of celebrating their respective anniversaries. One may celebrate with a dinner to his friends and relatives. Another may hold a reception, where gifted orators hold forth and review the events in the life of the person in whose honor the reception is held, or if it be a society speak pleasantly of the living and kindly of the dead. Yet far simpler but infinitely more glorious than these will be the celebration of their anniversary by the members of Branch 25. They will approach the holy sacrament of the eucharist in a body. Surely this is the grandest celebration of all. Their Spiritual Director, the Very Rev. Father Bax, will celebrate solemn high mass in honor of the occasion at 6:30 o'clock on that Sunday morning, and at that mass the members will receive holy communion. There will be no other celebration of the day, unless Father Bax chooses to say a few words during the mass.

It is hardly necessary to tell Catholics in this part of the country what kind of a society the Catholic Knights of America is. Its works speak for themselves. Through these Catholic Knights the tears of the widow have been dried and the orphans fed, clothed and educated. The dead have been given Christian burial and masses have been said for the repose of their souls. Branch 25 has engaged in all of this work and its members have laid up for themselves treasures in heaven.

This branch is made up to a great extent of members of St. John's parish. Its headquarters have been at St. John's and the Very Rev. Father Bax has been its Spiritual Director ever since its establishment. It was organized in St. John's school hall on October 28, 1878. The charter members were John J. Barrett, Edward Sheehan, Thomas Hill, Michael Grogan, Martin Shaughnessy, Julius Coenen, Pat Byron, Dominic Bax, F. P. Baron and John Ruddy. Of these four are numbered among the dead. They are John J. Barrett, Martin Shaughnessy, Dominic Bax and John Ruddy. John Barrett was the first President of the branch, Edward Sheehan his first Secretary and F. P. Baron its first Treasurer. During the first year of its existence Branch 25 numbered only twenty members all told.

In 1879 Dominic Bax was elected to the Presidency, while Mr. Sheehan was re-elected Recording Secretary. These officers served several years. Just how long is not definitely known, as part of the records have been misplaced. From 1886 till 1891 inclusive Edward Sheehan was President and William Osborne, now deceased, was Recording Secretary. Since then John A. McCarthy, Charles J. Desse and Albert F. Martin served two terms each as President, while E. J. Mann,

DRAMATIC

Entertainment For the Catholic Knights Will Be Given Monday.

Members of the Committee Are Busy Making Preparations.

Rehearsals Show That the Performers Are All in Readiness.

MANY TICKETS HAVE BEEN SOLD

Members of the Entertainment Committee, who have in charge the dramatic performance to be given at St. Mary's Hall on Monday night, are very busy men these days. The entertainment will be given under the auspices of the Central Committee of the Catholic Knights of America, and as the cause is a worthy one the affair should be liberally patronized.

The Entertainment Committee met in the hall of Branch 262, at Seventeenth and Southgate streets, last week after the regular meeting of that branch. Addresses for the good of the order were made by Messrs. Michael Reichert, Joseph P. McGinn, Newton G. Rogers, Harry Veeneman and Albert Martin, while the meeting of the branch was in progress. At its close the entire branch remained to attend the meeting of the Entertainment Committee. Joe McGinn presided and Secretary Martin reported that he had collected advertisements worth \$25 and was ready to proceed with the programmes and was instructed to have them printed. On motion of Mr. Reichert it was decided to reserve the first four rows in the hall. Each of these reserved seats will be fifteen cents extra and will be sold only at the door. The meeting then adjourned till Monday evening.

The Central Committee, under whose auspices the dramatic entertainment will be held, is made up of men tried and true in the ranks of the Catholic Knights of America. The majority of them are veteran members of the order and charter members of their respective branches. Among them may be mentioned Michael Reichert, Joseph P. McGinn, Patrick Holley, Thomas Feeley, Thomas Sheehan, Edmund Rapp, Edmund Hill, Joseph Hubbuch, Charles J. Desse, Thos. Dignan, Newton G. Rogers, William T. Meehan, Jonathan Thickett and Police Commissioner John A. Murphy, the latter two representing the Jeffersonville branch. It was men like these who organized the Central Committee for the purpose of keeping up the interest of the order and to aid and sustain the weaker branches. As the order is largely made up of men who are in humble circumstances, and whose only resource is a day's work, the Central Committee worked and is working to protect these, who when through no fault of their own lose their positions, until another place of employment can be found. These gentlemen are doing a great work and their efforts should receive support and encouragement.

To enable them to carry on their work the entertainment, which is to take place Monday evening, was arranged. Ben Speaker, ever in the forefront as a manager and worker when charitable undertakings are on hand, agreed to be the guiding star. To him the Central Committee is indebted for selecting a play, securing the performers and rehearsing them. His only reward will be the consciousness of duty well done. The entertainment will be opened with a brief address by the Very Rev. Father Bernard Westerman, pastor of the Immaculate Conception. Following this "Tony the Convict," a drama in five acts, will be produced. Among the performers will be such well known entertainers as Ben Speaker, Thomas D. Clines, John McDermott, Michael Reichert, Sylvester Grove, F. Hullsman, Peter Schreck, Miss Lena Schickel, Mrs. R. M. Wathen, Miss Josephine Robert and Miss Rosa Stoehr. Incidental to the action of the drama there will be vocal and instrumental music and between the acts specialties will be given by Messrs. A. Tschan, Clem Booker, John Gleisner, Sam Merrifield and Miss Ada Cunningham. As a whole the entertainment promises to be an excellent and pleasing one.

REVEREND VISITOR.

The Rev. Father John McKerny, pastor of St. Peter's church at Stanley, Daviess county, has returned from spending a three weeks' vacation in Colorado. He was the guest of the Rev. Father Bernard Cunningham, pastor of Holy Cross church, several days last week. Father McKerny is much improved by his trip to the West.

MAKING PROGRESS.

Grand Secretary Lantz visited Bardonia last week and attended a meeting of O'Connell Council, Y. M. I. At that meeting eleven new members were initiated and the council was shown to be in excellent working order. The members have secured new quarters and expect to double their membership within a few months. President John M. Cooney presided over the meeting and several excellent addresses were made.

Butler Leeboldt, F. P. Baron and John Garraghty served one year each. The incumbent President is William T. Meehan. Since 1891 the Recording Secretaries have been in order Edward Sheehan, Patrick Russell, Theodore J. Kern, Harry Veeneman and Lawrence J. Veeneman. Several of them served more than one term.

Mr. Baron has been Treasurer of the branch since its establishment save one year, when he was elected President. For many years past either Lawrence J. Veeneman or E. J. Mann has been Financial Secretary.

The present officers of the branch are Very Rev. Father Bax, Spiritual Director; William T. Meehan, President; John P. Schunicht, First Vice President; P. J. Schreck, Second Vice President; L. Dominic Bax, Recording Secretary; E. J. Mann, Financial Secretary; F. P. Baron, Treasurer; Charles J. Desse, A. F. Hemmerle and J. M. Rheil, Trustees; William F. Stuckenburgh, Sergeant-at-Arms; Martin Shaughnessy, Sentinel.

In 1896 Branch 10, an older branch than No. 25, composed of men living in that section of the city north and east of St. John's parish, was about to be suspended, but the members were taken into Branch 25. This gave it about forty additional members. At the present time it has a membership of 110. The first assessment paid by members of Branch 25 was No. 5. Now they are called upon to pay assessment 773.

The members of this branch are all devout Catholics and earnest workers for the good of the order. Their celebration will set a good example for other Catholic societies.

President William T. Meehan said in response to inquiries: "A vast amount of money has been paid out by the members of Branch 25. It would be an almost impossible task to tell of the distress that has been relieved by the assessments paid by these men, the majority of whom are poor mechanics. While the majority of them live in St. John's parish, the members are scattered from Portland to the Point."

FAREWELL.

The Very Rev. Father Fowler's Term as Prior Expires.

The Debt Association of St. Louis Bertrand church held an important meeting in Bertrand Hall on Monday night. The Very Rev. Fowler, O. P., who has been Prior of the Dominicans and pastor of the congregation for the past three years, attended the meeting and bade the members of the association farewell. Father Fowler's term as Prior has expired and his successor will be elected on Monday. He left Thursday for Columbus, O., where he made his final report to the Provincial of the order.

After the reports from the various districts of the parish had been received and routine business transacted, Mr. John P. Cassilly, President of the association, paid a high tribute to Father Fowler. Mr. Cassilly told how Father Fowler founded the Debt Association and outlined its history. Through the efforts of Father Fowler and this association the debt of the church has been materially reduced. He expressed the sorrow that all felt over the departure of their reverend pastor and assured him that he would always have the prayers and well wishes of the congregation for his health and happiness.

Father Fowler responded briefly, thanking the members of the association for their unselfish work, and assured them that he would always remember them in his prayers and masses. The Rev. Father Martin, Sub-Prior, also made a brief address and urged the members to continue their good work. He told them the greater the sacrifices they made to aid the church the greater would be their reward in the next world. Father Martin spoke of Father Fowler as a kind superior and expressed the wish that he would be re-elected.

Too much can not be said in praise of the good work accomplished by Father Fowler. In addition to materially reducing the debt he beautified the church by adding electric lights to its equipment, further adorning the sanctuary, putting in tiled aisles, hardwood floors, new confessionals and other improvements. He was an earnest, indefatigable worker, and his loss will be felt by the entire community.

SUCCESSFUL OPERATION.

Mrs. James Russell, who recently suffered the amputation of one of her limbs at the knee, is progressing favorably and her friends will be glad to hear that she will soon be removed to her home at 1620 West Madison street. Some time ago Mrs. Russell was attacked by a malignant ailment which caused her great pain. On examination it developed that the limb must be amputated in order to save her life. She was removed to St. Joseph's Infirmary, where the operation was successfully performed, and the patient is now on the road to recovery. Mrs. Russell has a wide acquaintance in Louisville and is universally respected.

TO GIVE MISSION.

The Rev. Edwin Drury, missionary for this diocese, will give a mission at St. Philip Neri's church, beginning Sunday, October 25, and continuing until and including November 1. The Rev. Father Ackerman invites the public in general to attend this mission as the sermons will be full of interest to non-Catholics. The hours at which services will be held have not been arranged.